

RAILROADS

A BIG DECREASE

Railway Revenues in 1915 Show a Drop of \$123,000,000. Operating Expenses Show a Still Greater Reduction.

ECONOMY WAS THE CAUSE

Increase in Net Income of Eighteen Millions Due to This.

Other Items of General Interest in the Traffic World.

With gross revenues from operation for the year ended June 30, 1915, more than \$123,000,000 below those for the preceding year and nearly \$200,000,000 (\$196,723,000) under those of two years ago, the railways of the United States through the adoption of the most exacting economies were able to show an increase in net operating income of nearly \$12,000,000 over that for 1914. But the student has to go back to the disastrous period following the panic of 1907 to find another year in which the net income of the railways was not larger than in 1915. In the meantime—and here is the whole situation—the operating mileage has increased from 227,454 to 255,840 miles, or 13.38 miles of operated line, and the net capital investment has increased from \$58,298 per mile in 1907 to \$65,000 in 1915.

These figures mean that with nearly three million dollars larger investment in 1915 than in 1907 the railways had approximately \$25,000,000 less net income to take care of it. The tabulation of the Bureau of Railway News and Statistics, giving the gross operating revenues of the railways by months for the fiscal years 1908 to 1915 inclusive, with totals for half years, serves as a mirror in which is reflected the business conditions in the United States for the past eight years. Between the low ebb in February, 1908 and the high tide in October, 1912, there is a difference of \$14,000,000 in gross monthly receipts. Its chief significance is that it marks the fluctuation in traffic for which the railways have to be prepared. Even between the highest and lowest record for October, the big month of the year, there is a difference of \$70,000,000, which is more than equaled by that of February, 1908 and February, 1913.

For the first half of the last fiscal year there was a startling recession in railway revenues of over \$108,000,000. Since New Year's, however, there has been a slow recovery resulting in a higher gross for May and June over the corresponding months of 1914, but considerably below the gross for the same months in 1913. For the first six months of the fiscal year 1915, the gross revenues were less than \$15,000,000, making a total decrease for the year of over \$123,000,000.

THERE'S A DIFFERENCE.

Comparison of French and U. S. Roads Made by Former Kansan.

W. G. Landon, formerly of Leavenworth, now employed by the French government as a railway engineer, has written a letter to the Railway Age Gazette in which he gives some interesting information about railroad work and conditions in France.

"To begin with," says Landon, "France has no sixteen hour law. An engineer might be on duty twenty-four hours, but he is paid for the extra time until he has finished his run and he would not receive a cent of overtime. Payment in road service is by distance, and switching service by the day of the hour, two hours gross being allowed for the midday meal. Coal premiums, figured on a ton mile basis, are paid to the engineers and firemen. Fines are imposed for losing time if the crew is to blame, and a bonus is paid for making up time. Nearly all freight trains, including express, are run on schedules. Engineers of fast expresses make (including premiums) up to 600 francs (\$120) a month, and firemen up to 200 francs (\$40). Their work is double that in the United States. For example, divisions up to 150 miles are doubled every day, the men frequently being on duty thirteen to fourteen hours. One day off in every ten is given in any class of service."

"The fireman has to clean the fire. At the end of the run he has to clean the smokebox, where two barrels of cinders usually collect, clean out the pan, which is flat and not self-cleaning like those in America, clean the sandbox (the sand usually has to be carried in buckets from the sand house), and clean the entire engine, including the polished steel work, but not the wheels. The tender is not cleaned and the contrast of a clean engine and dirty tender is peculiar inside motion (most of locomotives being of the four cylinder type) is not cleaned, with the result that the engineer gets a nice oil, grease and dirt bath when oiling. The fireman has to spend fully an hour after coming in to fix up the engine."

"Other inconveniences could be mentioned, but these will suffice to show splendid American working conditions as compared with those here."

S. N. Extension?

An extension of the Salina Northern south from Salina to Newton and Wichita has been asked, says the Salina Journal. A committee from Roxbury and that district met Salina

Straight Hair Made Curly While You Sleep

By an entirely new and harmless method, the straightest hair can now be made beautifully curly while you sleep. Not that sleeping has anything to do with it, except to prevent loss of sleep. Previous time while the process is at work. You simply apply a little liquid salmerine to the hair, using a clean brush for the purpose. This hair has the property of causing the hair to dry with a deluged wave effect, as will be quite apparent in the morning. The effect lasts considerably longer than where a hot iron is used and the hair appears far more natural. If you'll get a few ounces of the liquid salmerine from your druggist, you will be able to keep the hair in curl for many weeks. This by the way is excellent also as a dressing for the hair, keeping it bright and lustrous. It is neither sticky nor greasy.—Adv.

SCENES IN GAL VESTON AFTER DISASTROUS STORM.



These pictures, just received from Galveston, indicate the fury of last week's Texas storm which killed nearly 200 persons and did an estimated damage along the Gulf of about \$15,000,000. Upper photo shows destroyed Columbus Cafe and Casino on the seawall boulevard. In center of picture are shown twenty-ton granite tombstones pushed across the street by the force of the waves. Lower picture shows destroyed amusement pavilion and booths along the seawall boulevard and debris from destroyed bath houses.

Northern officials last night made that request. They said they were willing to assist the road in financing the extension. E. A. Tennis told them the deal has just been closed, but that the matter would be taken under consideration.

BUY COLORADO RANCH.

Santa Fe Officials Purchase 5,000 Acres at Eden. B. F. Webster of Colorado Springs has just sold his 5,000 acre ranch at Eden, Col. to several Topeka Santa Fe officials. The deal has just been closed. The Topeka men who bought the ranch were C. W. Kouns, general manager of the Santa Fe railway; E. L. Copeland, secretary and treasurer; J. R. Koontz, general freight agent, and J. M. Connell, general passenger agent. The fifth purchaser resides in Chicago. J. E. Gorman, chief traffic officer of the Rock Island Lines.

Hats Off to Tice. Superintendent H. A. Tice of the Dodge City division of the Santa Fe railway, has just been awarded the honor of having a town named after him on the Cimarron branch. This town intends to rival Copeland, the village named after the popular Santa Fe secretary and treasurer. The lots of the new town will be sold at auction and a big celebration will be held Wednesday.

These Are Real Veterans.

The board of directors of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad company have voted to place six more old and faithful employees of the company on the pension roll. Five of these men have been with the company more than 40 years. The average length of service of the six was 41.5 years. One of them, Edward J. Egan of Roxbury, Mass., a passenger conductor, has been in the New Haven service 46 years, going with the road in 1869.

WHAT'S UNDER A HAT?

Lecture at First Baptist Church by Dr. Brougher.

Dr. James Whitcomb Brougher of Los Angeles, Cal., will speak at the First Baptist church Tuesday night on "What's Under Your Hat."



Dr. James Whitcomb Brougher in Action.

He is by no means an ordinary type of preacher. It is his eccentric delivery that brands him as a man that is different. He comes to Topeka highly recommended as a lecturer. "Of him Collier's has this to say: 'Dr. Brougher belongs to the eccentric type of preacher, but he is not uncouth or uneducated. He looks more the political orator or the villain in the melodrama than he does the preacher. He has no fatal gift of beauty. He might be confounded with Apollonius, but never with Apollon. Sensational? Of course he is. So was Jeremiah.'"

Riverside Aer Duct Heaters at Forbes.—Adv.

SOME NEW FACES

Several Changes in Faculties of K. U. and K. S. A. C.

Only Two Vacant Positions Remain to Be Filled.

But two important appointments in the faculties of the University of Kansas and the Kansas State Agricultural college for the coming year are yet to be announced. E. T. Hackney, chairman of the state board of educational administration, announced today. These, he said, are the dean of the school of education and the professor of German of the university. The board has decided upon men for positions, he asserted, and will announce the appointments shortly.

Important positions at the university, which have been filled during the summer are dean of the school of fine arts and professor of voice.

Harold L. Butler, for eleven years head of the department of fine arts at Syracuse university, was appointed dean of the school of fine arts. In addition to directing choruses in various places in the east he formerly was bass soloist in the Castle Square opera company, New York.

Arthur Nevins, appointed professor of voice, is a graduate of the Boston Conservatory of Music and is the author of several operas and compositions. G. G. Ingram, who will assume charge of the correspondence study department, has been connected with a similar department of the University of Wisconsin.

Herman P. Olcott, the new professor of physical education, in charge of football, has been a practicing attorney in New York. He is a graduate of Yale university and formerly was a noted football player.

At the Kansas State Agricultural college, Edward C. Johnson, for the last three years superintendent of industrial and domestic relations, succeeded J. H. Miller as dean of the division of college extension. Dean Miller recently resigned to become director of extension in the University of Arkansas.

The correspondence study work is to be under the supervision of M. G. Burton, of Muncie, Indiana, who will assume charge in September to succeed J. C. Warner, who resigned to become head of the department of education in the Idaho State Normal school.

Arthur E. Westbrook, formerly professor of music at Northwestern university, and a widely known baritone soloist, has been appointed director of music. Mr. Westbrook will succeed Olaf Valley.

Frank L. Snow, formerly of the Topeka State Journal, will become instructor in industrial journalism. Mr. Snow is a son of F. H. Snow, for many years chancellor of the University of Kansas.

The Agricultural college also will have a new football coach in John R. Bender, a former Nebraska star. He will go to Manhattan from Washington State college, where he has been coach. Mr. Bender also has been coach at Haskell Institute and St. Louis university. He will become director of athletics.

W. A. Edgerton, formerly a professor of architectural engineering in

GET NEW KIDNEYS!

The kidneys are the most overworked organs of the human body, and when they fail in their work of filtering out and excreting the waste products of the system, things begin to happen. One of the first warnings is pain or stiffness in the lower part of the back; highly colored urine; loss of appetite; indigestion; irritation, or even stone in the bladder. These symptoms indicate a condition that may lead to that dreaded and fatal malady, Bright's Disease, which there is said to be no cure. You can almost certainly find immediate relief in your money will be refunded. Prices, 25c, 50c, and \$1.00. Be sure you get the GENUINE MILDAL brand. None other genuine.—Adv.

PRINGLE'S LITTLE JOKE

Sewer Contractor Confides a Secret to a Bank Cashier.

A cashier in a Topeka bank has proven his ability to keep a secret. He is still keeping the secret. It concerns the business of the bank, and he is guarding the bank's interests. Others have been taken into the secret and these are wondering how long the cashier will keep "mum."

"I want to open an account," announced Jas. A. Pringle, contractor. After his signature he wrote the letter "C."

"Be sure to carry that 'C' behind my name," he requested.

"Certainly, but what is that letter for," inquired the cashier.

"Oh, I am running a little crap game down the street. Don't say anything about it, but I have a pretty good thing," explained the contractor, confidentially.

A few days later he returned and opened another account, requesting that the letter "B" be carried after it to keep the two accounts from being confused.

"I am branching out, I have started a poker game, and everything seems to be going well," he said.

Then Pringle explained to some of his friends.

"Individual property owners pay me for making pipe connections with the building sewer which is being built. East side sewer which is being built. I want to know what this will total and the easiest way is to keep an individual account and deposit the money as I get it. 'C' stands for 'connections.' And the 'B' account? 'B' stands for pipe. I get a refund on all broken pipe."

IT'S UP TO THE CITY

Postmaster Rigby Answers the Protest of J. A. Pringle.

Following complaint of James A. Pringle, contractor, is to the fact that there is no free mail delivery in Kenwood addition, W. O. Rigby, postmaster, announced this morning that the matter was entirely up to the residents of the addition and the city.

There has been an order in my office for seven weeks to install free delivery in Kenwood addition as soon as cross walks are built on the streets," said Mr. Rigby this morning.

"So far the city has not completed the walks and one of the rules of the department is that the walks must be installed before free city delivery is given."

"The matter is up to the city and the residents of Kenwood. When the walks are laid they will get free delivery," Mr. Rigby stated that Pringle has never taken the matter up with him.

MUNICIPAL PLANT PAYS

City-Owned Electric Lighting System at Columbus, O., Big Success.

Columbus, O., Aug. 30.—Columbus is proud of its municipally owned and operated electric light plant because it has proved in its fifteen years of operation both economical and efficient.

A report just made, under the regulations of the Ohio public utilities commission, by New York and Cleveland expert accountants, shows that during this period \$286,658.37 has been saved the taxpayers.

The cost to the city of the plant since its establishment is put at \$1,301,073.55, and it is figured that the plant's services in lighting the streets, based on the Cleveland rate, is \$1,529,499.91.

The same charges were entered against the municipally-owned company as against any private concern, such as depreciation, interest, rent, and so forth.

Foreign Dentist Attend Congress. San Francisco, Aug. 30.—Dentists from all parts of the world are attending the Panama Pacific Dental Congress. With over 3,000 delegates already registered, this meeting is the largest in the history of the profession.

MOVE TO TOPEKA

Heavy Influx of Population to the Capital City.

"For Rent" Signs Are Coming Down in Topeka.

HOUSES ARE BEING ERECTED

Permits for Sixteen Dwellings Issued This Month.

New Store Fronts on Kansas Avenue Good Sign.

Moving time has arrived. Twice a year—spring and late summer and early fall—transfer companies do a rush business. Just now the great vans of the Topeka transfer firms are kept constantly in use.

Business for the realty men, and the home builders has also been given a boost. Approximately forty families have moved to Topeka in the last three weeks, or since a list of arrivals in the city was last published in the State Journal. It is only necessary to those who are skeptical to take a look at the records of local transfer companies. Aside from this scores of persons have arrived who do not possess household goods. Many persons are coming to Topeka to take advantage of the educational facilities. Rental properties are being snapped up rapidly, dwellings are changing hands, and new homes are being erected.

Permits have been issued this month for the erection of sixteen dwellings at a cost of approximately \$30,000. Permits have aggregated \$45,000, and the month is not yet ended.

One has only to take a spin around the city in an auto to become impressed with the fact that Topeka is expanding.

Arrivals in Topeka.

Recent arrivals in the city come from Kansas, Missouri, Texas, Minneapolis and New Hampshire.

Following are lists of persons whose household goods have been handled in the last three weeks by two transfer companies together with the street numbers to which the goods were delivered.

Topeka Transfer company—Prof. Roy Towne from St. Paul, Minn., moved to 1275 College avenue; Dr. E. P. Womer from St. Paul, Minn., moved to Whitehouse, Washburn campus; Mrs. George Switzer, Holistone, Kan., moved to 1275 College avenue; William Ziemer from Enterprise, moved to 1521 Kansas avenue; G. C. Bowman from New Hampshire, moved to 601 Polk street; Mr. Funk moved to 1711 Van Buren street.

Merchants' Transfer company—Ed J. Hart from Potosi, moved to 604 Hodgeboro street; Lester Burris moved to 1503 Van Buren street; L. Parish moved to 826 Lincoln street; D. F. Dennison moved to 633 West Seventh street; Chester Thomas from Stafford, moved to 1110 Tyler street; F. M. Bowman from Kansas City, moved to 1625 Harrison street; E. H. Olson from Galveston, Texas, moved to 1294 College avenue; H. B. Wood from Chicago, Ill., moved to 1326 Harrison street.

Building Permits.	
Arthur Bevit, one-story dwelling, 160 West street, \$1,850	
Martha Garrett, addition to dwelling, 926 Western avenue, 200	
C. W. Charlson, one-story dwelling, 200 North avenue, 1,500	
Robert Schelacke, one-story dwelling, 127 Topeka avenue, 2,000	
Harold, Haberman, one-story dwelling, 204 Scotland avenue, 1,075	
Eric Holman, one-story dwelling, 300 Scotland avenue, 1,100	
Geo. W. Moffat, new front business building, 417 Kansas avenue, 800	
Pringle Trust Co., new front business building, 335 Kansas avenue, 3,000	
Fred Ross, remodel building, 724-726 Kansas avenue, 4,000	
Thompson Brothers, new front at 626 Kansas avenue, 490	
S. E. Lux, addition to dwelling, 1205 Western avenue, 2,500	
Newark Stores Co., new front at 602 Kansas avenue, 900	
Shawnee Investment Co., dwelling, 122 Broadmoor avenue, 1,900	
Shawnee Investment Co., dwelling, 634 Broadmoor avenue, 1,900	
Shawnee Investment Co., dwelling, 127 Lindwood avenue, 1,900	
Shawnee Investment Co., dwelling, 127 Quinton street, 1,900	
Shawnee Investment Co., dwelling, 123 Shawnee investment Co., dwelling, 227 Broadmoor avenue, 2,800	
J. D. Burton, lumber yard and shed, 1419-17 Lane street, 334	
E. C. Fasnacht, one-story brick office building, 535 Jackson street, 255	
Garlinghouse Realty Co., dwelling, 1312 Byron avenue, 2,000	
Garlinghouse Realty Co., dwelling, 1531 Tyler street, 2,000	
Garlinghouse Realty Co., dwelling, 1625 Clay street, 2,000	
E. C. Fasnacht, business building, 112-114 West Fourth street, 2,225	
Karl Metzger, one-story dwelling, 1306 Chandler street, 350	
Shawnee Investment Co., dwelling, 126 Broadmoor avenue, 1,900	
Nine small items, 1,260	
Total, \$44,369	

SURVEY OF TOPEKA

It Is Being Conducted by Allied Printing Trades Council.

A survey of the printing industry in Topeka is being made by the Allied Printing Trades Council. The information gained will be used in a publicity campaign for the purpose of informing the general public as to the importance of the local printing business, and urging that work be placed in this city.

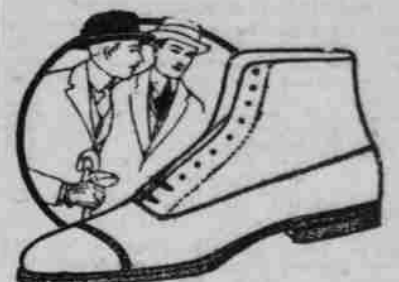
Officers of the council: T. D. Bruchton, president; Roy Allen, recording secretary; E. J. Gribbin, secretary-treasurer. The delegates from the different local affiliations with the council are: Bookbinders, Roy Allen; L. Young, A. C. McDaniels; photo engravers, T. D. Bruchton, Robert Zarse, E. H. Happe; pressmen, L. V. Bruchton, F. A. Stever; Thomas Joseph, press assistants, C. S. Wilcox, W. L. Luengene; stereotypes and electrotypists, J. S. Lannon, M. J. Connelly; Linotype, J. S. Lannon, R. Allen; union, M. H. Gardner, J. E. Brenkworth, E. J. Gribbin.

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SAULS GETS GIFT CIGAR BRUNT STORE TO MOVE

Chief Parsons Also Insists That His Sergeant Smoke 'Em. Drug Firm at 729 Kansas Avenue After Thursday Morning.

Whether or not it would be in subordination to refuse to smoke certain gift cigars which are handed to Chief Harvey Parsons every day and then turned over by the police chief to the station men, is a question in the mind of Sergeant Alonzo Sauls. It seems that Parsons receives a half dozen or more questionable weeds every day. "That's not all," confides Sauls. "He insists that we smoke 'em."

Moving of the J. M. Brunt drug stock to the store's new location, 729 Kansas avenue, will be completed in time to open for business at the new stand Thursday morning.

For several years the store has been located at Fifth street and Kansas avenue. The new location was formerly occupied by the Eagle cigar store. The Eagle building has been remodeled and a new front built. The old Brunt location will be occupied by the German-American State bank as soon as the building is remodeled.